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second planar plies and intermediate ply define air passages extending generally transversely to a roof ventilator longitudinal axis,

(each said at least one ventilator section) and the top panel defining a ventilator interior region and a ventilator exterior region surrounding the roof ventilator,

the top panel defining a recessed area in which the top panel first planar ply and at least a portion of the top panel intermediate ply have been removed, the recessed area being generally arcuate in cross section and exposing at least a portion of the air passages in the top panel such that the ventilator interior region is in fluid communication with the ventilator exterior region through the recessed area and the air passages.

17. The roof ventilator of claim 21, in which a pair of ventilator sections are present.

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18. The roof ventilator of claim 17, each ventilator section further comprising a second panel, each said top panel, first panel and second panel configured for parallel abutting contact, each second panel including first and second planar plies and an intermediate ply disposed between the first and second planar plies such that the first and second planar plies and the intermediate ply define air passages extending generally transversely to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis.

19. The roof ventilator of claim 17, each ventilator section further comprising a second panel, each said second panel including first and second planar plies and an intermediate ply disposed between the first and second planar plies such that air passages extending generally transversely to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis are defined, the top panel and each said first and second ventilator panel being defined by generally linear series of perforations extending generally parallel to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis.

20. The roof ventilator of claim 17, each ventilator section further comprising a second panel, each said second ventilator panel including first and second planar plies and an intermediate ply disposed between the first and second planar plies such that air passages extending generally transversely to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis are defined, the top panel and each said first

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and second ventilator panel being defined by a slit extending generally parallel to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis, each said slit extending through the intermediate ply and one of said first and second planar plies.

21. The roof ventilator of claim 17, each ventilator section further comprising a second panel and a third panel, the top panel and each said first panel, second panel, and third panel configured for parallel abutting contact, each said second and third panel including first and second planar plies and an intermediate ply disposed between the first and second planar plies such that air passages extending generally transversely to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis are defined.

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22. The roof ventilator of claim 17, each ventilator section further comprising a second panel and a third panel, the second panel and third panel including first and second planar plies and an intermediate ply disposed between the first and second planar plies such that air passages extending generally transversely to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis are defined, the top panel and each said first, second, and third ventilator section being defined by generally linear series of perforations extending generally parallel to the ventilator longitudinal axis.

23. The roof ventilator of claim 17, each ventilator section further comprising a second panel and a third panel, the second panel and third panel including first and second planar plies and an intermediate ply disposed between the first and second planar plies such that air passages extending generally transversely to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis are defined, the top panel and each said first, second, and third ventilator panel being defined by slits extending generally parallel to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis, each said slit formed by severing one of the first and second planar plies and the intermediate ply.

24. The roof ventilator of claim 17, each ventilator section further comprising a second panel, a third panel and a fourth panel, the top panel and each said first, second, third, and fourth panel configured for parallel abutting contact, each said second, third, and fourth panel comprising first and second planar plies and an intermediate ply disposed between the first and second planar

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plies such that air passages extending generally transversely to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis are defined, the top panel and each said first, second, third and fourth panel being defined by perforations extending generally parallel to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis.

25. The roof ventilator of claim 17, each ventilator section further comprising a second panel, a third panel and a fourth panel, each second, third, and fourth panel including first and second planar plies and an intermediate ply disposed between the first and second planar plies such that air passages extending generally transversely to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis are defined, the top panel and each said first, second, third and fourth panel being defined by slits extending generally parallel to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis.

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26. The roof ventilator of claim 17, each ventilator section further comprising a second panel, a third panel and a fourth panel, each said second, third, and fourth panel including first and second planar plies and an intermediate ply disposed between the first and second planar plies such that air passages extending generally transversely to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis are defined, the top panel and each said first, second, third and fourth panel being defined by slits extending generally parallel to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis, the slits formed by severing one of the first and second planar plies and the intermediate ply.

27. The roof ventilator of claim 17, in which the ventilator section air passages and the top panel air passages extend generally perpendicularly to the roof ventilator longitudinal axis.

28. The roof ventilator of claim 17, in which the portion of the top panel first planar ply adjoining the recessed area defines a generally linear recessed area edge.

29. The roof ventilator of claim 17, in which the recessed area generally coincides with a longitudinal axis of the top panel.

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30. The roof ventilator of claim 17, in which the intermediate plies within the top panel recessed area define a generally oval-shaped path.

31. The roof ventilator of claim 17, in which the intermediate plies within the top panel recessed area define a generally nonlinear path.

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32. The roof ventilator of claim 17, the recessed area being bounded by edges, the intermediate plies within the top panel recessed area having a minimum height and a maximum height, the minimum height being disposed where all or a maximum portion of the intermediate ply has been removed, the maximum height being adjacent each said edge of the recessed area.

33. The roof ventilator of claim 37, in which the intermediate ply minimum height generally coincides with a top panel longitudinal axis.

34. A roof in combination with the roof ventilator of claim 17, the roof with a peak and an opening generally coinciding with the roof peak, the roof ventilator attached to the roof such that air from inside the roof can pass from the ventilator interior region, through the roof ventilator, and into the roof ventilator exterior region, via the roof ventilator top panel air passages and each said ventilator section air passages.

Please add new claims 49-70 as follows:

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49. (New) A ventilator for a roof peak, comprising first and second ventilator sections generally symmetrically extending outboard from a substantially longitudinal center line, each of said first and second ventilator sections comprising at least one layer, the at least one layer defining a multiplicity of air passages and a plurality of apertures, each of said air passages conducting air from inside the roof peak to outside the roof peak, each of said apertures extending generally transversely with respect to the multiplicity of air passages, each of said apertures further extending substantially through said at least one layer.

Sub C: 50. (New) The ventilator of claim 49, in which each of said first and second ventilator sections comprises a first layer and a second layer, the first and second layers being in a stacked relationship.

51. (New) The ventilator of claim 50, in which each of said pluralities of first layer apertures is generally aligned with a corresponding one of said second layer apertures.

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52. (New) The ventilator of claim 51, in which the first and second layers are longitudinally interconnected.

53. (New) The ventilator of claim 49, in which a portion of said multiplicity of air passages is interrupted by said plurality of apertures.

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55. (New) The ventilator of claim 54, in which said multiplicity of air passages are defined by a corrugated sheet material.

56. (New) The ventilator of claim 55, in which the corrugated sheet material comprises plastic.

57. (New) The ventilator of claim 56, in which each of said first and second ventilator sections comprises a plurality of interconnected ventilator section layers.

58. (New) The ventilator of claim 57, in which each said plurality of interconnected ventilator sections are interconnected by slit-scoring.

Sub C' 59. (New) The ventilator of claim 57, in which each said plurality of interconnected ventilator sections are interconnected by nick-scoring

60. (New) A roof comprising the ventilator of claim 49 operationally present at a peak of said roof.

B2 61. (New) A process of forming a ventilator for a peak of a roof, comprising forming a pair of ventilator sections extending generally symmetrically from a ventilator centerline, each of said pair of ventilator sections comprising a multiplicity of air passages conveying air from inside the roof peak to outside the roof peak, each of said pair of ventilator sections further comprising a plurality of apertures, a portion of said multiplicity of air passages interrupted by said plurality of apertures, each of said apertures extending substantially transversely with respect to said multiplicity of air passages.

62. (New) The process of claim 61, in which each of said pair of ventilator sections comprises a first ventilator section layer and a second ventilator section layer and in which said first and second ventilator section layers are formed so that each of said plurality of apertures formed in the first ventilator section layer aligns with one of said plurality of vent apertures formed in the second ventilator section layer.

63. (New) The process of claim 61, in which each of said pair of ventilator sections comprises a plurality of longitudinally interconnected ventilator section layers and in which forming said pair of ventilator sections comprises disposing said ventilator section layers in a stacked relationship.

64. (New) The process of claim 63, in which each of said pair of ventilator sections is formed from a blank of corrugated material.

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65. (New) The process of claim 63, in which each of said pair of ventilator sections is formed from a blank of double-faced corrugated plastic material.

66. (New) The process of claim 61, in which each of said pair of ventilator sections is formed from a blank of corrugated material.

67. (New) The process of claim 61, in which each of said pair of ventilator sections is formed from a blank, said blank comprising a corrugated ply disposed between a pair of generally planar plies.

68. (New) The process of claim 61, in which each of said pair of ventilator sections is formed from a blank of double-faced corrugated plastic material.

69. (New) The process of claim 61, in which said multiplicity of air passages extend generally perpendicularly to said ventilator centerline.

70. (New) The process of claim 69, in which said multiplicity of air passages are generally parallel.

REMARKS

Claims 16-70 are pending, claims 35-48 having been withdrawn from consideration in paragraph 7 of the Office Action. By this Amendment claim 16 is amended and claims 49-70 are added. Claims 16-48 were added by a 22 May 2001 amendment, but were not underlined as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(d). To this end, claims 16-48 are again presented, but are underlined as required.

Claim 16 is amended to recite "said at least one ventilator section" in lieu of "said ventilator section" to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter regarded by Applicants as the invention. Applicants respectfully submit that the above substitution does not change the scope of claim 16.